

Celebrate Our International Heritage Month

September 2005

September 2 – 3, WorldFest on the Belvedere

The Belvedere, Fifth and Main streets. Two-day festival of international music, food and crafts in honor of Louisville's rich ethnic diversity. Friday, September 2, 11 a.m. – 11 p.m.; Saturday, September 3, 11 a.m. – 11 p.m.; Parade of nations with Mayor Jerry Abramson, Saturday noon. 574-4774, www.loukymetro.org

September 3, Family Saturday

Louisville Free Public Library, Main Branch, 301 York Street. A celebration of the rich culture and heritage of West Africa through stories and fun activities. All ages. Noon – 2 p.m., 574-1611, www.lfpl.org

September 3, Origami Projects

Louisville Free Public Library, Fern Creek Branch, 6768 Bardstown Road. A one-hour workshop on designing beautiful artistic creations for many occasions through the use of traditional Japanese paper folding techniques, presented by the Crane House. 2 p.m., 231-4605, www.lfpl.org

September 7, Travel to Iran

Louisville Free Public Library, Jeffersontown Branch, 10635 Watterson Trail. Learn about the culture of Iran and sample some Iranian food. Ages 7 and up. 4 p.m., 245-7332, www.lfpl.org

September 8, Listen to the Beat of Africa

Louisville Free Public Library, Shawnee Branch, 3912 West Broadway. Step to the warm beat of the African continent while we share folktales, listen to music and make crafts. Ages 5 - 12, parents welcome. 7 p.m., 574-1722, www.lfpl.org

September 8 – 18, Eighth Annual Asian Film Festival

University of Louisville Student Activities Center, Floyd Theatre. Includes films from Bhutan, China, India, Japan and Thailand. 3 – 11 p.m. daily, 635-2240, www.cranehouse.org

September 10, An Evening of Irish Music

Clifton Center, 2117 Payne Street. A celebration of Irish music and dance. 7:30 p.m., 609-2826

September 9 – 10, Ethnic Fair

St. Michael's Orthodox Church, 3701 St. Michael Drive at Hikes Lane and Furman Boulevard. 3 – 9 p.m., 454-3378

September 9 – 10, Oktoberfest 2005

German-American Club, 1840 Lincoln Avenue. Friday, September 9, 4 p.m. – midnight; Saturday, September 10,

3 p.m. – midnight. 243-8912, www.german-americanclub.com

September 9 – 10, Festa Italiana (Italian Festival)

St. James Church, 1826 Edenside Avenue. Authentic Italian food and entertainment in a family-friendly atmosphere. Friday, September 9, 5 - 9 p.m.; Saturday, September 10, noon – 11 p.m., (812) 282-3938, www.louisvilleitalians.com

September 11, "Be the Change" Concert and Community Choir

First Unitarian Church, 809 South Fourth Street. Original music composed by world-renowned jazz pianist Harry Pickens and performed by a 150-person choir. 4 – 5:30 p.m., 589-6583

September 13, Customs and Traditions of Korea

Louisville Free Public Library, Crescent Hill Branch, 2762 Frankfort Avenue. A program on the culture, clothing and dance of Korea, presented by Korean educator Hannah Yun of the Crane House. 6:30 p.m., 574-1793, www.lfpl.org

September 13, Mayan Hieroglyphics

Louisville Free Public Library, Shively-Newman Branch, 3920 Dixie Highway. An introduction to the beautiful hieroglyphic writing style of the ancient Mayans, presented by local restaurateur Laura Ucan of The Mayan Gypsy. 6:30 p.m., 574-1730, www.lfpl.org

September 14, "Cultural Consideration in Doing Business with India"

Crane House, 1244 South Third Street. Business breakfast program, presented by Dr. Sam Ranga-swamy. 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. 635-2240, www.cranehouse.org

September 14, A Taste of Italy

Louisville Free Public Library, Fairdale Branch, 10616 West Manslick Road. Cook-up some fun Italian dishes. 6 p.m., 375-2051, www.lfpl.org

September 15, Celebrate Mexico's Independence Day

Louisville Free Public Library, Southwest Regional Branch, 10375 Dixie Highway. A celebration with stories, traditional paper toys, music, food and a piñata. Ages 7 and up, 2 p.m., 933-0029, www.lfpl.org

September 17, A Celebration of India

Louisville Free Public Library, Middletown Branch, 200 North Juneau Drive. Performances, children's stories and refreshments to celebrate the culture of India and our Indian neighbors in Louisville. 2 – 4 p.m., 245-7332, www.lfpl.org

September 17, Americana World Festival

Iroquois Manor Shopping Center, 5300 block of South Third Street. International food, music and more. Celebrate our newest neighborhoods and friends. 11 a.m. – 8 p.m., 366-7813, www.americanacommunitycenter.org

September 17, American Muslim Association of Louisville

Cherokee Park, Hogan's Fountain. Third Annual Community picnic. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., free food served from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

September 19 Mayor's Community Conversations

Iroquois High School, 4615 Taylor Blvd. An evening of conversation with an international focus. 6:30 p.m., 574-5000, www.loukymetro.org

September 19, Politics and Security in Asia

Louisville Free Public Library, Crescent Hill Branch, 2762 Frankfort Avenue. A discussion of relevant political and world issues related to the Koreas presented by Dr. Charles Ziegler of the University of Louisville. 7 p.m., 574-1793, www.lfpl.org

September 19, Japanese Storytelling

Louisville Free Public Library, Fern Creek Branch, 6768 Bardstown Road. Learn more about Japanese culture and values through wonderful tales from the Land of the Rising Sun, presented by Graham Shelby. 7 p.m., 231-4605, www.lfpl.org

September 20, Mexican History and Dance

Louisville Free Public Library, Shively-Newman Branch, 3920 Dixie Highway. A short history of Mexico presented by Miguel Lagunas, of the Latin American Club of Louisville, followed by a demonstration of traditional Mexican dances by local children. 6:30 p.m., 574-1730, www.lfpl.org

September 21, Vietnam Photos

Louisville Free Public Library, Iroquois Branch, 601 West Woodlawn Avenue. A discussion and display of photos from Vietnam with music and light snacks. 6 p.m., 574-1720, www.lfpl.org

September 22, Family Story-time

Louisville Free Public Library, Portland Branch, 3305 Northwestern Parkway. Tales from China. 6:30 p.m., 574-1744, www.lfpl.org

September 22, "Angkor and the Khmer Kings"

Crane House, 1244 South Third Street. Evening cultural program presented by Bob Jones. 6 – 7 p.m., 635-2240, www.cranehouse.org

September 24, German Heritage Festival

St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 1406 East Washington Street. 2 – Midnight, 583-7401

September 24, Arab American Association and the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee Annual Dinner

Clarion Hotel, 9700 Bluegrass Parkway. Celebrate and promote the rich cultures of the Middle East with food and live music, 7:00 p.m., 893-9828

September 25, Faith and Cooperation: The Challenge of Peace

Abbey of Gethsemani, 3642 Monks Road, Trappist, KY. An inter-religious prayer celebration and reception, 3 p.m., 348-3047

September 25, Tasting at the Tower: A Signature Chef's Event

Louisville Water Tower, Zorn & River Road. A picnic showcasing 25 local cooks and their recipes, 5 – 9 p.m., 561-5422

September 27, The Cuisine of Mexico

Louisville Free Public Library, Shively-Newman Branch, 3920 Dixie Highway. Discover how culture shapes cuisine. Join us as Chef Nancy Russman, Jefferson Community College Culinary Arts, brings together the culture and cuisine of Mexico. 6 p.m., 574-1730 to register, www.lfpl.org

September 27, Russian Folktales

Louisville Free Public Library, Bon Air Regional Branch, 2816 Del Rio Place. Stories and folktales from Russia. 6:30 p.m., 574-1795, www.lfpl.org

September 28, Celebrate Somalia

Louisville Free Public Library, Iroquois Branch, 601 West Woodlawn Avenue. Celebrate Somalia through music and dance. 6 p.m., 574-1720, www.lfpl.org

September 28, "World War II Asian Front Remembered"

Crane House, 1244 South Third Street. Dinner and panel discussion presented by Richard Fox, Dr. Yu Shen and Dr. Li Zeng. 6 – 7 p.m., 635-2240, www.cranehouse.org

September 30 – October 8, Adelante Hispanic Achievers Latin Jazz Festival

The Jazz Factory, 815 West Market Street. Eight-day festival showcasing the artistic influence of Hispanic artists on American Jazz featuring nightly concerts by prominent Latin Jazz artists. 992-3243 or 964-9037, www.jazzfactory.us

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